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E.O. 11752: GDS  
TAGS: FPOR FR JO XF  
SUBJ: REPORTED JORDANIAN VIEWS ON MIDEAST NEGOTIATIONS

1. ON JAN 28, QUAI DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR THE LEVANT  
SERVANT HURRIEDLY READ EMBOFF EXTRACTS FROM A TELEGRAM  
JUST RECEIVED FROM THE FRENCH AMBASSADOR TO JORDAN. IT  
DESCRIBED SOME CURRENT JORDANIAN ATTITUDES TOWARDS THE  
ME NEGOTIATING SITUATION BASED PRIMARILY ON THE  
AMBASSADOR'S RECENT CONVERSATIONS WITH JORDANIAN  
INTERIOR MINISTER ARAR AND EX-PM RIFAI. THE FOLLOWING  
ARE JORDANIAN VIEWS AS DESCRIBED BY THE AMBASSADOR.

2. JORDAN IS DRAWING UP PLANS FOR  
PARTICIPATING IN A RECONVENED MEPC LIKELY TO BE HELD IN  
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JUNE. THE PLO WILL PARTICIPATE EITHER AS A SEPARATE  
ENTITY OR AS PART OF A GENERAL ARAB DELEGATION.

3. PRIOR PREPARATION OF THE MEETING TO INSURE ITS  
SUCCESS IS NECESSARY. OTHERWISE THE SOVIETS, WHO DO  
NOT REALLY WANT A SETTLEMENT, WILL DRAG THINGS OUT AT  
GENEVA, CREATING OBSTACLES WHICH WOULD INSURE THE

CONFERENCE'S FAILURE. THIS WOULD LEAD TO  
A DANGEROUSLY EXPLOSIVE SITUATION, MUCH WORSE THAN AS  
IF THE MEETING HAD NOT BEEN HELD. (SERVANT NOTED THAT  
THE FRENCH, TOO, SUSPECT THE SOVIETS' CALLS FOR PEACE  
AND WONDER HOW FAR THEY WILL GO TO PREVENT A  
SETTLEMENT.)

4. JORDAN WOULD BE PREPARED TO SET UP A JORDANO-  
PALESTINIAN STATE. HOWEVER, IT OPPOSES THE ISRAELI  
SUGGESTION OF FORMING A CONFEDERATION INCLUDING  
JORDAN AND PART OF THE WEST BANK WITH ITS CAPITAL IN  
AMMAN SINCE SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT WOULD INCREASE  
PALESTINIAN NATIONALISM AND EVENTUALLY LEAD TO  
PALESTINIAN PREDOMINANCE WITHIN THE CONFEDERATION AND  
THE FALL OF THE HASHEMITE DYNASTY. (SERVANT COMMENTED  
THAT THIS SECTION OF THE CABLE WAS FUZZY BUT REMARKED  
THAT HUSSEIN'S HESITATION TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF HIS  
PALESTINIAN SUBJECTS WAS UNDERSTANDABLE.)

5. FINALLY, THE JORDANIANS FEAR THAT THE NEW AMERICAN  
ADMINISTRATION WILL NOT BE SUFFICIENTLY FORCEFUL IN  
PRESSING ISRAEL TO MAKE THE NECESSARY CONCESSIONS. IT  
THINKS EUROPE SHOULD IMPRESS UPON THE US THE URGENCY OF  
TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE PRESENT FAVORABLE CONDITIONS  
SINCE THEY MAY CHANGE QUICKLY AND THE MOMENT FOR  
SETTLEMENT MIGHT BE LOST FOREVER.

6. COMMENT: WE REALIZE THAT SO-CALLED "JORDANIAN  
VIEWS", FILTERED THROUGH THE FRENCH EMBASSY IN AMMAN  
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AND THE QUAI AND GIVEN TO US IN A CURSORY MANNER, MAY  
BE FAR OFF THE MARK, BUT PASS ALONG THE REPORT AS OF  
POTENTIAL INTEREST.  
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